



# Search for Dark Matter in ANTARES and KM3NeT

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# Mediterranean Neutrino Telescopes

## Physics motivation and Detection principle

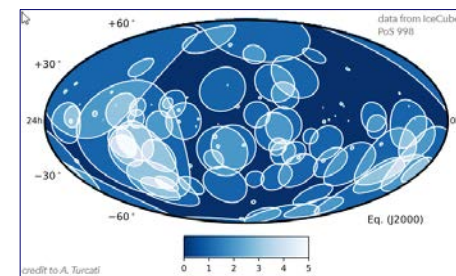
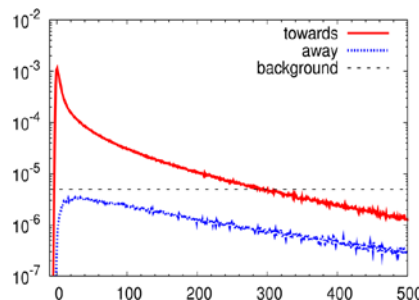
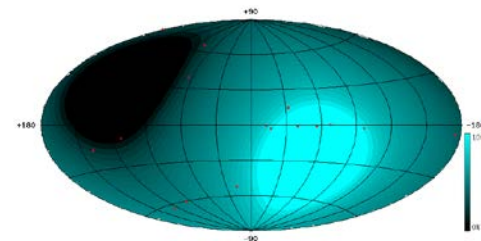
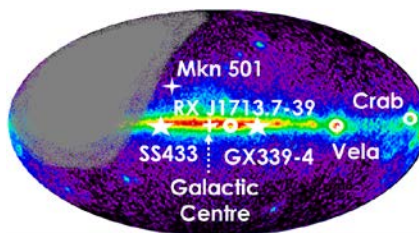
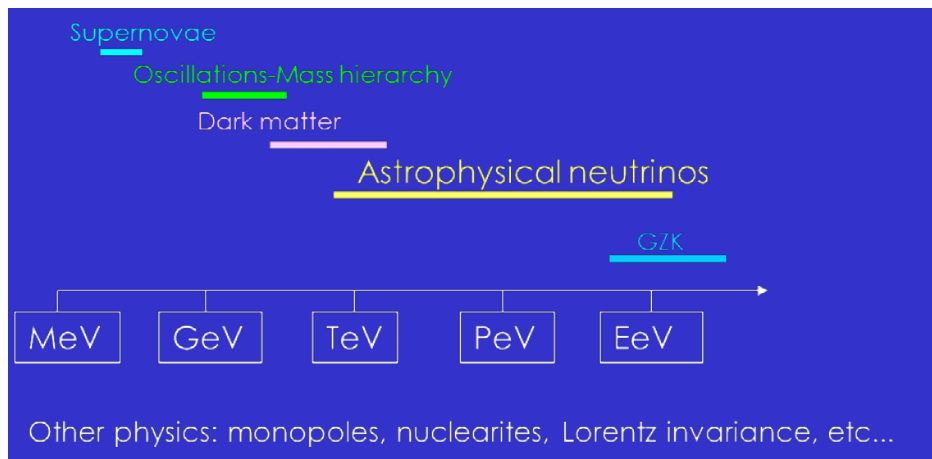
- ❖ High energy **v astronomy** and **neutrino properties**
- ❖ Large volume of transparent medium surveyed by PMTs

## Location:

- ❖ Northern terrestrial hemisphere:
- ❖ Complementary to IceCube
- ❖ Golden channel for southern sky sources. **"Milky-Way optimized"**

## Medium:

- ❖ Deep Sea water
- ❖ **Very small light scattering** (good angular resolution even for showers)
- ❖ Natural backgrounds ( $^{40}\text{K}$  and biolum) can be handled.



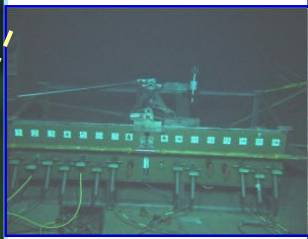
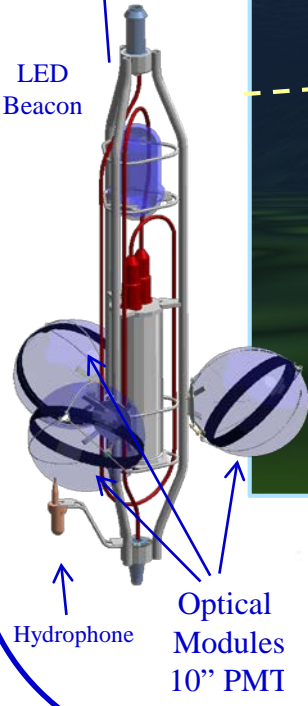
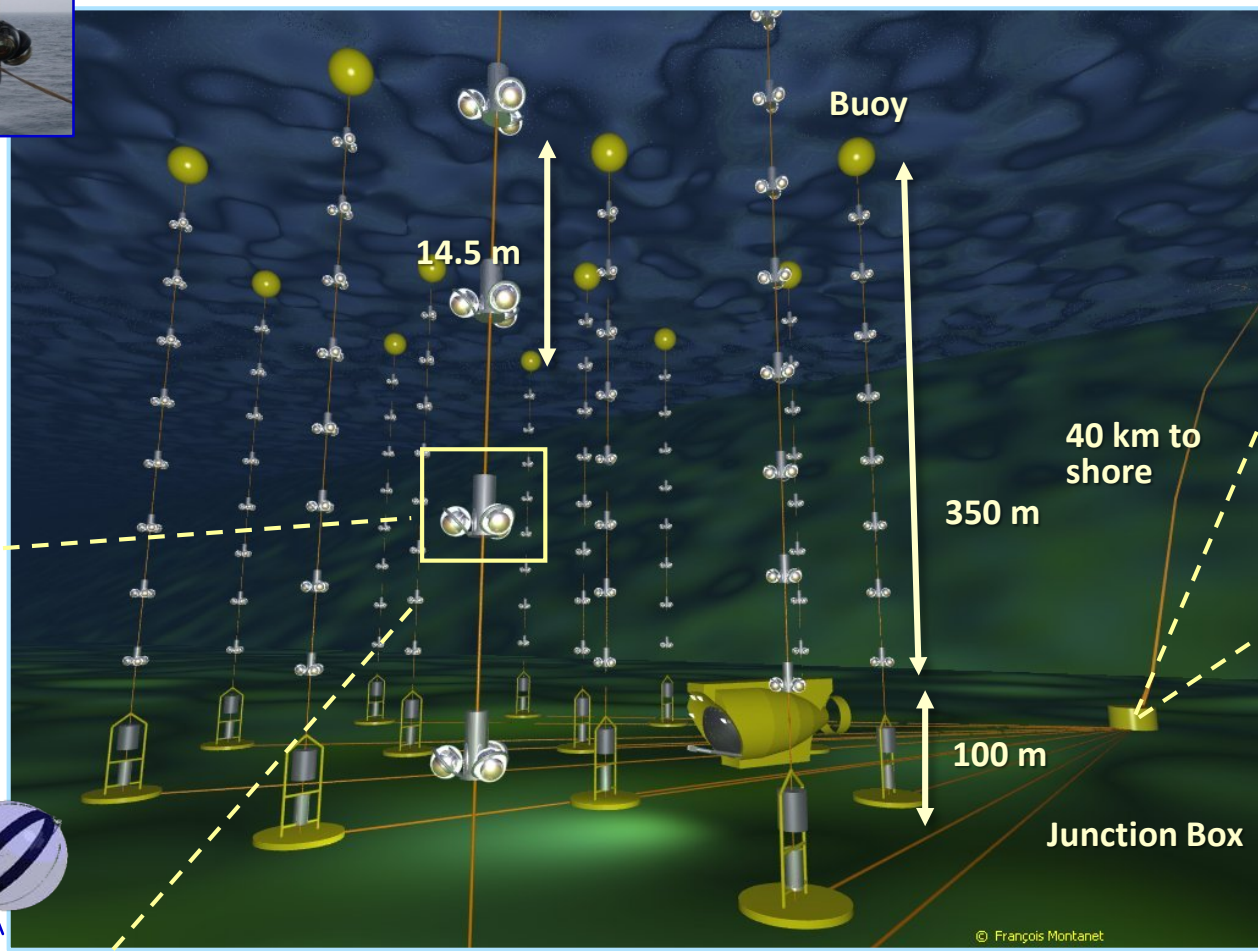
# Antares and KM3NeT Collaborations





# ANTARES

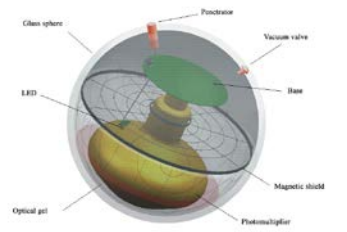
**12 lines (885 PMTs)**  
**25 storeys / line**  
**3 PMTs / storey**  
 5-line setup in 2007  
 Completed in **2008**



Junction Box



Shore station



Mediterranean Sea  
 (near Toulon)  
 at **2500 m** depth

- NIM A484 (2002) 369, AP 19 (2003) 253
- AP 23 (2005) 131, NIM A555 (2005) 132
- AP 26 (2006) 314, NIM A570 (2007) 107
- NIM A578 (2007) 498, NIM A581 (2007) 695
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## A Nine-Year Hunt for Neutrinos

By Susanna Kohler on **31 January 2018** **FEATURES**

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Artist's representation of the ANTARES neutrino detector, made up of 12 strings of photomultipliers that detect and amplify the light emitted by charged particles produced by rare neutrino interactions. [ANTARES]

How do we hunt for elusive neutrinos emitted by distant astrophysical sources? Submerge a huge observatory under ice or water ... and then wait patiently.

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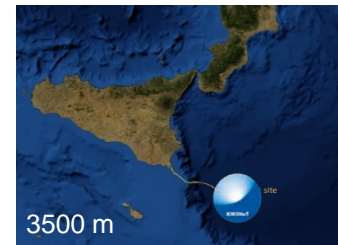
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# KM3NeT

## ❖ ARCA (Astronomy)

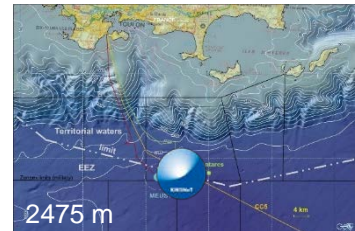
- **Building Block:**
  - 115 strings
  - 18 DOMs / string
  - 31 PMTs / DOM
  - Total: 64k\*3" PMTs

**ARCA**  
Astroparticle Research  
with **Cosmics In the Abyss**



Capo Passero, Sicily, Italy

**ORCA**  
Oscillation Research with  
**Cosmics in the Abyss**

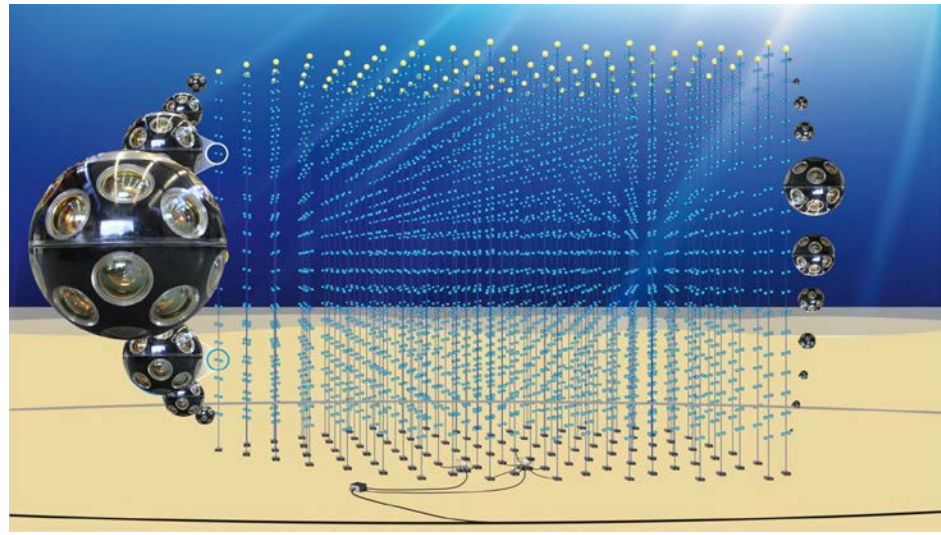


Toulon, Var, France

## ❖ ORCA (NMH+ $\nu$ properties)

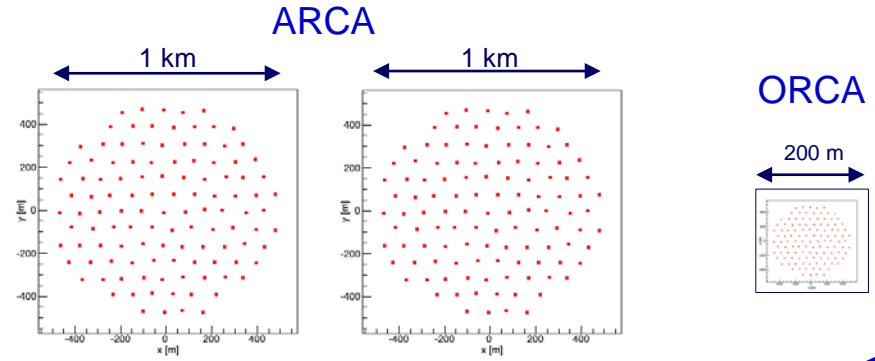
- **Same technology, denser layout**

	ORCA	ARCA
String spacing	20 m	90 m
OM spacing	9 m	36 m
Depth	2470 m	3500 m
Instrumented mass	5.7 Mton	0.6*2 Gton



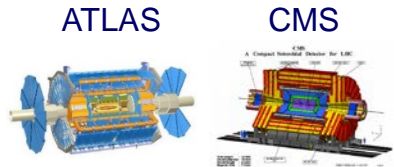
## ❖ Stages:

- Phase 1: 24 ARCA + 7 ORCA strings (already funded, being deployed)
- **KM3NeT 2.0: 2 ARCA +1 ORCA blocks** (~50% funded)  
Blessings: ESFRI and APPEC
- Phase 3: 6 ARCA + 1 ORCA blocks



# How to detect WIMPs

Production



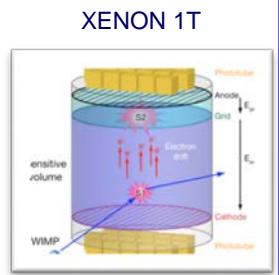
p

$\chi$

SM particles

DM particles

Direct Detection



LUX



PICO



p

$\chi$

Annihilation  
(Indirect detection)



HESS



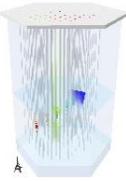
MAGIC



Antares



IceCube



All the methods are needed to make sure we have detected dark matter



# *Dark matter searches with $\nu$ -telescopes*

- Sun
- Galactic Centre and Halo

Not covered:

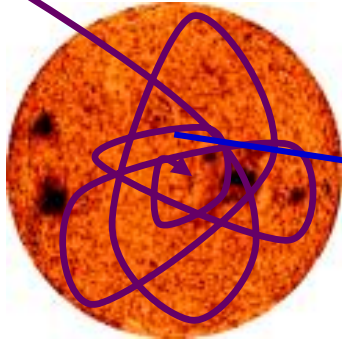
Earth, dwarf galaxies, galaxy clusters, monochromatic  $\nu$ 's, others...





# *Dark Matter Solar Neutrino Search*

# *WIMP capture in the Sun*



$\nu$



- WIMPs can be **scattered** by the Sun nuclei and loose enough energy to **become gravitationally trapped**.
- Once trapped further scattering takes place and they tend to **concentrate in the Sun's core**.
- **WIMP self-annihilation** will produce **SM particles** which in turn will give rise to neutrinos.
- **WIMP capture and annihilation** reach an **equilibrium**.



# *Advantages of the solar DM Search*

- In the Sun a **signal would be very clean**. The Sun does emit neutrinos, but they are low energy (\*)
- The Sun journey through the Galaxy makes it **less sensitive to non-uniformities in the local dark matter density**.
- The Sun is mainly composed of hydrogen, this gives us information about **spin-dependent cross-sections**.
- Rates depend only **weakly** on WIMP **velocity** distribution.
- The Sun is **massive** enough and **not too far** away.

(\*) More about CR induce background later

# WIMP Capture rate

Capture rate in a given Sun's shell of volume  $dV$ :

$$u_{max} = 2 \frac{\sqrt{M_i m_\chi}}{m_\chi - M_i} v_{esc}$$

$$\frac{dC_i}{dV} = \int_0^{u_{max}} du \int d\Omega_w$$

$$f(u) u w^2 \sigma_i n_i \frac{\rho_\chi}{m_\chi}$$

$w = \sqrt{u^2 + v_{esc}^2}$

velocity distribution  $f(u)$   
 elastic scattering X-section  $\sigma_i$   
 WIMP-nucleus type  $i$   
 WIMP density  $\rho_\chi$   
 Number density nucleus type  $i$   $n_i$   
 WIMP mass  $m_\chi$

Sum over shells:

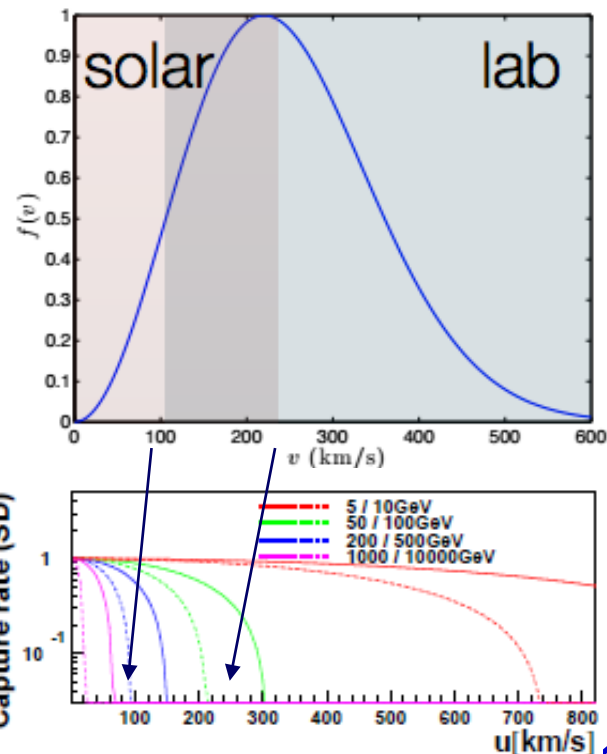
$$C = \int_0^{R_\odot} 4\pi r^2 dr \sum_i \frac{dC_i(r)}{dV}$$

A Maxwellian velocity distribution is assumed:

$$f(u) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \frac{u}{v_\odot v_{rms}} \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{3(u-v_\odot)^2}{2v_{rms}^2}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{3(u+v_\odot)^2}{2v_{rms}^2}\right) \right]$$

Other  $v$  distributions: <20% change in C Choi et al. JCAP 1405 (2014) 049

Lower velocities  $\rightarrow$  higher capture rate (indirect)  
 Higher velocities  $\rightarrow$  larger recoils (direct)



# Neutrino flux and annihilation rate

The number of WIMPs depends on capture and annihilation rates:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = C_{cap} - C_{ann} N^2$$

If we assume that equilibrium has been reached :  
( $T_{Sun} = 4.5 \times 10^9$  years)

$$\Gamma_{ann} = \frac{1}{2} C_{cap}$$

The neutrino flux depends on the annihilation rate:

$$\frac{d\Phi_\nu}{dE_\nu} = \frac{\Gamma_{ann}}{4\pi d^2} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE_\nu}$$

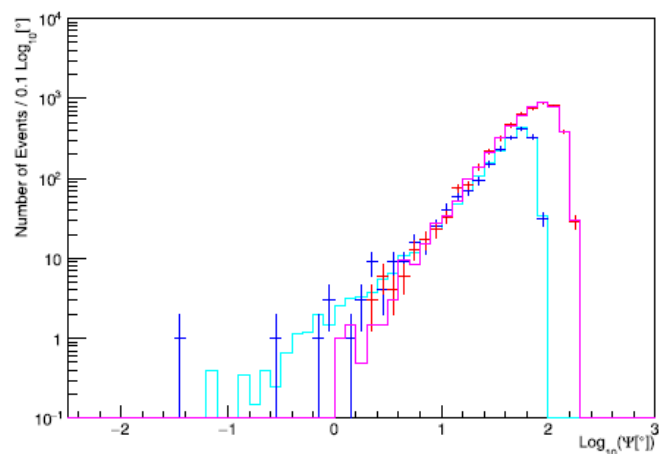
Capture rate depends on the **WIMP-nucleon cross-section**  
(and on WIMP mass, density and velocity)

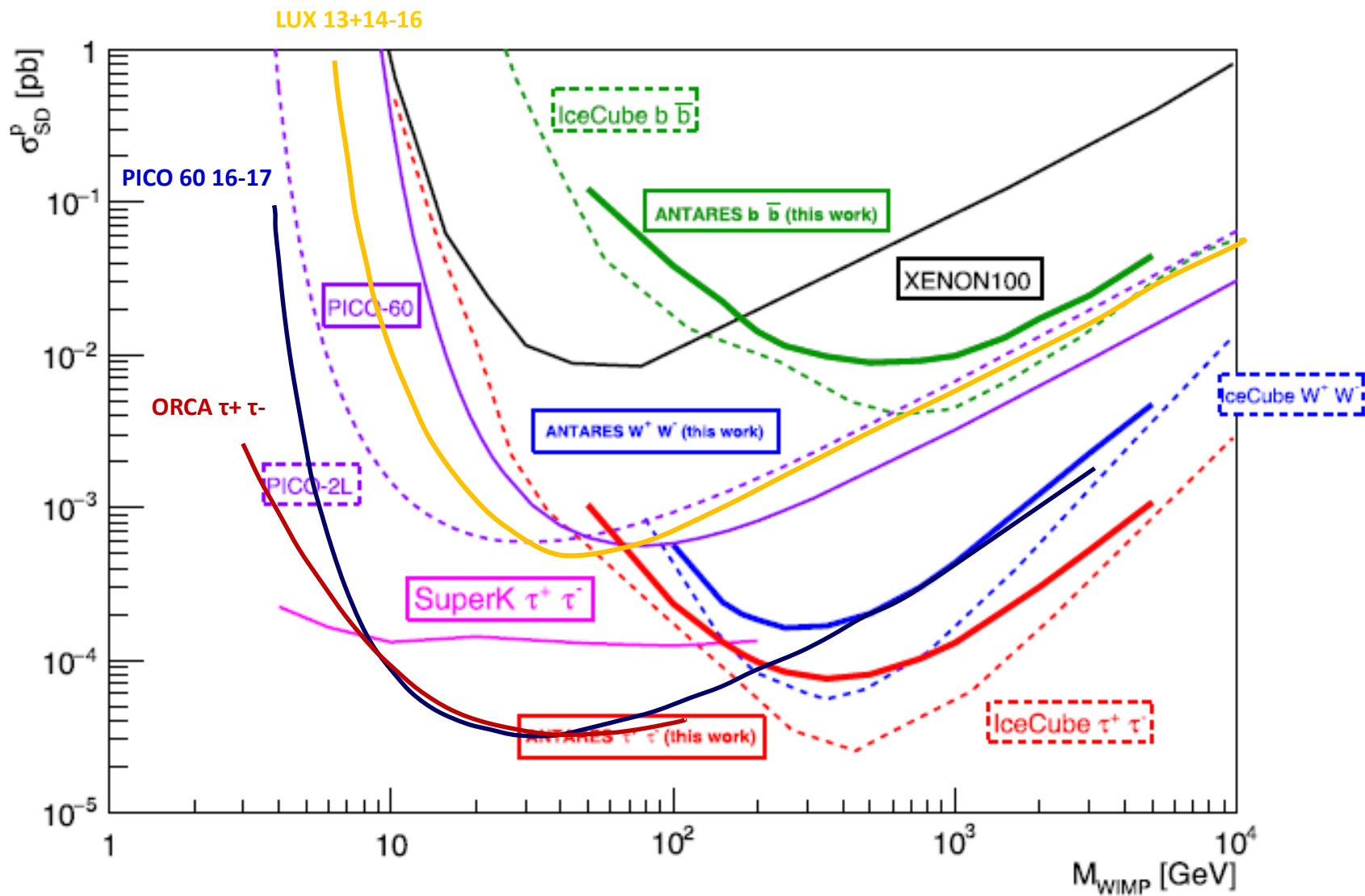
$$C_{cap} = 3.35 \times 10^{18} \text{ s}^{-1} \times \left( \frac{\rho_{local}}{0.3 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}} \right) \times \left( \frac{\sigma_{H,SD}}{10^{-6}} \right) \\ \times \times \left( \frac{270 \text{ km s}^{-1}}{v_{local}} \right) \times \left( \frac{\text{TeV}}{M_{WIMP}} \right)^2$$

# Antares – Solar Search

- Antares data 2007-2012
- Upgoing,  $\nu_\mu$  events.
- Signal simulation of representative channels:  $\chi\chi \rightarrow WW, \tau\tau$  (hard) and  $bb$  (soft).  
 $\chi$  capture+annihilation+  $\nu$  production+  
 +interaction+propagation DarkSUSY  
 and WimpSim
- Cuts on track reconstruction quality used to reject background. Two reconstruction strategies.
- Likelihood ratio as a function of angle to the Sun.

JCAP 11 (2013) 032  
 PL B 759 (2016) 69





# DM in the Sun – Issues

## ❑ Has equilibrium been reached?

- ❖ For  $\langle \sigma_A v \rangle \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ , equilibrium time as large as the age of the Sun only for  $\sigma^{\text{SD}}$  as low as  $10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2$

## ❑ Is the velocity distribution critical?

- ❖ Uncertainty on DM velocity has an influence of **no more than ~50% on the limits.**

## ❑ If the dark matter is in a dark disk?

- ❖ This **will improve limits!** A population of lower velocities DM particles will enhance the capture rate (under some assumptions as much as x 20!).

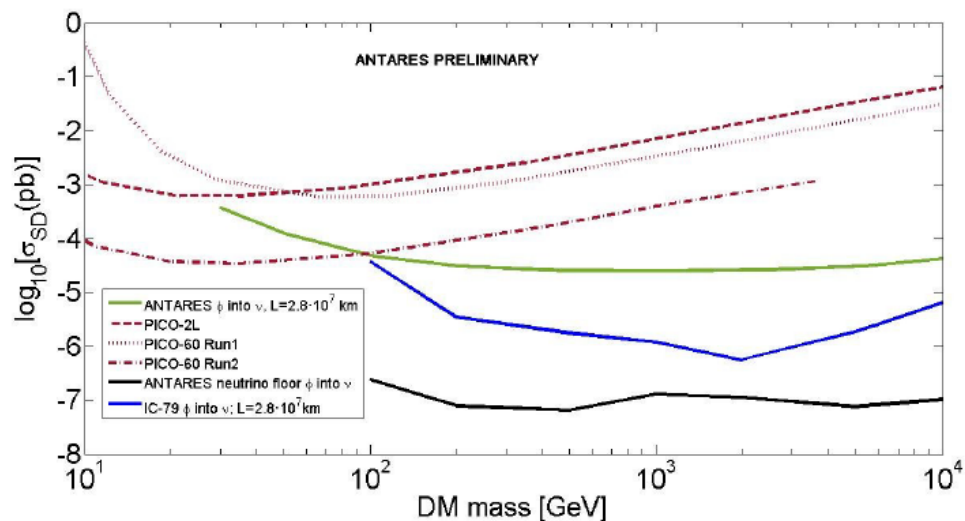
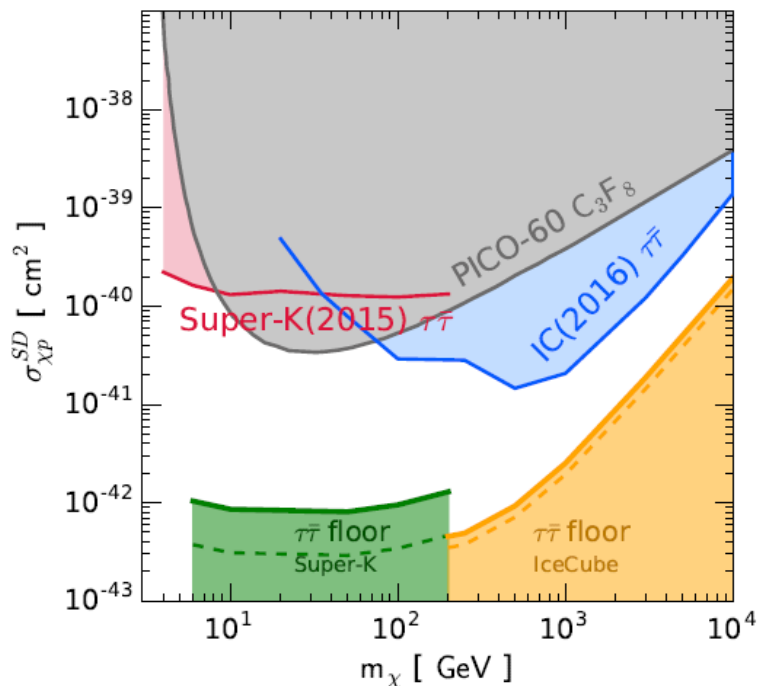
## ❑ In some scenarios, direct detection will have a hard time...

- ❖ **Non-relativistic effective theory** classifies possible non-relativistic interactions
- ❖ DM-nucleon scattering may be velocity / momentum dependent and suppressed at non-relativistic energies
- ❖ **Enhances SD x-section for light nuclei**
- ❖ Sun has **other nuclei** (different proton-neutron composition) **sensitive to various operators**

$\hat{O}_1 = \mathbb{1}_{\chi N}$	$\hat{O}_9 = i\hat{S}_\chi \cdot (\hat{S}_N \times \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N})$
$\hat{O}_3 = i\hat{S}_N \cdot (\frac{\hat{q}}{m_N} \times \hat{v}^\perp)$	$\hat{O}_{10} = i\hat{S}_N \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}$
$\hat{O}_4 = \hat{S}_\chi \cdot \hat{S}_N$	$\hat{O}_{11} = i\hat{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}$
$\hat{O}_5 = i\hat{S}_\chi \cdot (\frac{\hat{q}}{m_N} \times \hat{v}^\perp)$	$\hat{O}_{12} = \hat{S}_\chi \cdot (\hat{S}_N \times \hat{v}^\perp)$
$\hat{O}_6 = (\hat{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}) (\hat{S}_N \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N})$	$\hat{O}_{13} = i (\hat{S}_\chi \cdot \hat{v}^\perp) (\hat{S}_N \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N})$
$\hat{O}_7 = \hat{S}_N \cdot \hat{v}^\perp$	$\hat{O}_{14} = i (\hat{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}) (\hat{S}_N \cdot \hat{v}^\perp)$
$\hat{O}_8 = \hat{S}_\chi \cdot \hat{v}^\perp$	$\hat{O}_{15} = - (\hat{S}_\chi \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}) [(\hat{S}_N \times \hat{v}^\perp) \cdot \frac{\hat{q}}{m_N}]$



# DM Sun – CR Background



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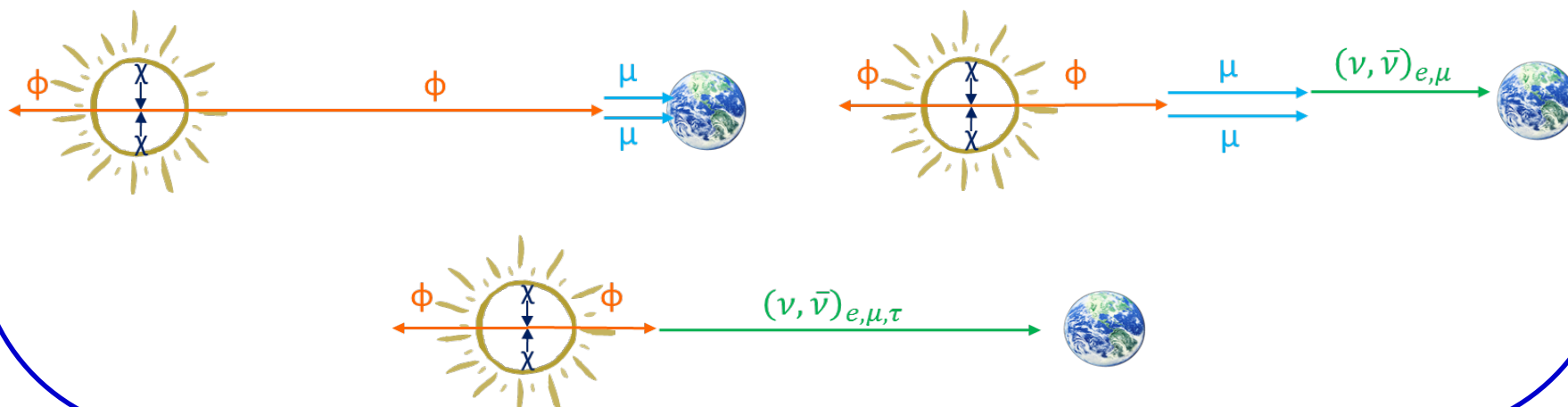
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M. Ardid, I. Felis, M. Lotze, Ch. Tönnis, *PoS (ICRC 2017) 907*

# Secluded Dark Matter

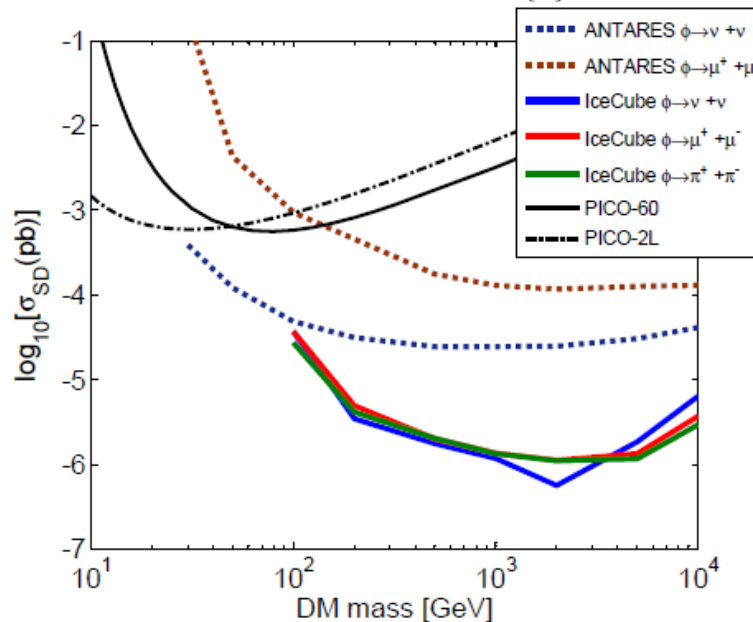
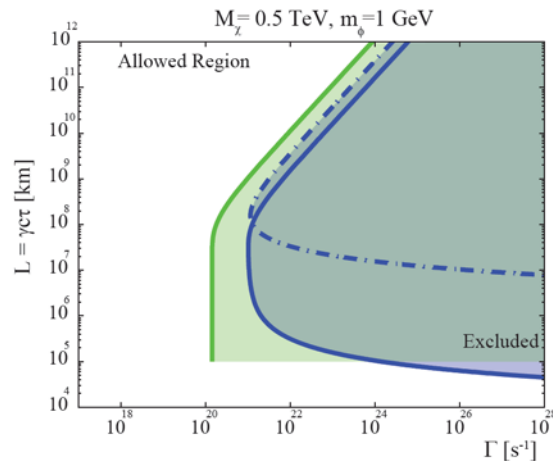
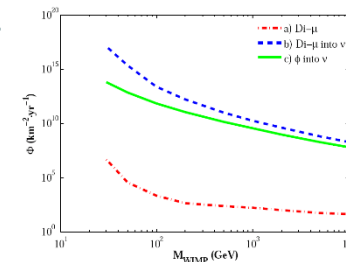
- DM is secluded from SM matter. DM WIMP annihilation proceeds via a metastable mediator  $\phi$ .
  - May explain the  $e^+/e^-$  ratio of Pamela, Fermi and AMS while retaining thermal relic WIMP scenario.
- In many models  $\phi$  decays to leptons near the Earth.  $\nu$ -telescopes can detect muons:
  - direct detection of dimuons
  - neutrinos from dimuons from mediator
  - neutrinos directly from mediator.



# Secluded DM – $\sigma$ limits

- Limits on fluxes can be translated to regions of decay length vs annihilation rate
- Limits on the WIMP-nucleon SD and SI cross-sections can be set. For sufficiently long-lived but unstable mediators, the limits are competitive.
- Limits from IC79, obtained by Miquel Ardid et al.
- Some specific models can be constrained, e.g. “dark photons” (gauge boson of a broken U(1) symmetry that mixes with SM gauge bosons).

Flux limits



Antares, JCAP 05 (2015) 016 arXiv:1602.07000  
M. Ardid et al., JCAP04 (2017) 010



# *Galactic Centre and Halo*



# Neutrino flux

The neutrino flux (per solid angle) in a solid angle  $\Delta\Omega$  is given by:

Product of self-annihilation cross-section times WIMP velocity averaged over the velocity distribution

Neutrino energy spectrum per annihilation.

$$\frac{d\Phi_{\Delta\Omega}}{dE} = \frac{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle}{2} J_{\Delta\Omega} \frac{1}{4\pi m_\chi^2} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE}$$

Intensity (flux per solid angle) along the line of sight of the DM density squared (see next slide).

WIMP mass squared



# $J(\psi)$ – Line of sight integral

Intensity (flux per solid angle) at an angle  $\psi$  with respect to the GC direction is proportional to the line of sight integration of the DM density squared:

$$J(\psi) = \int_0^{l_{max}} \rho_{DM}^2 \sqrt{R_{sc}^2 - 2lR_{sc} \cos \psi + l^2} dl$$

where:  $l_{max} = \sqrt{R_{Gal}^2 - R_{sc}^2 \sin^2 \psi} + R_{sc} \cos \psi$

the radius of the solar circle and that of the Galaxy are  $R_{sc} \approx 8.5$  kpc and  $R_{Gal} \approx 50$  kpc

If we are looking at the Galactic centre in a cone with half-angle  $\psi$  around the GC, which has a field of view of  $\Delta\Omega = 2\pi (1 - \cos \psi)$ :

$$J_{\Delta\Omega} = \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\cos \psi}^1 J(\psi') 2\pi d(\cos \psi')$$



# Halo DM density

NFW

$$\rho_{NSFW}(r) = \rho_s \frac{r_s}{r} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-2}$$

Burkert

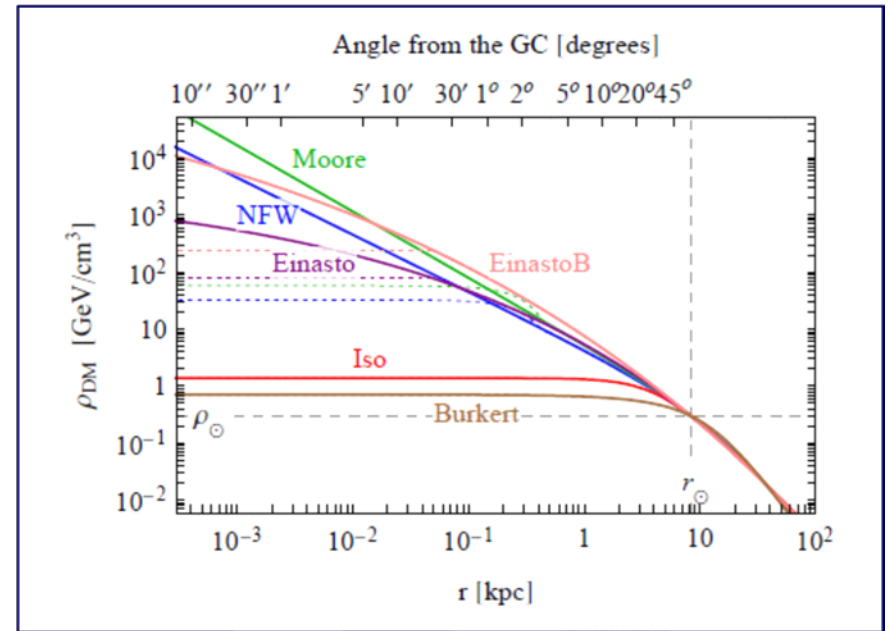
$$\rho_{Bur}(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{\left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right) \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2\right)}$$

Isothermal

$$\rho_{Iso}(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2}$$

Einasto

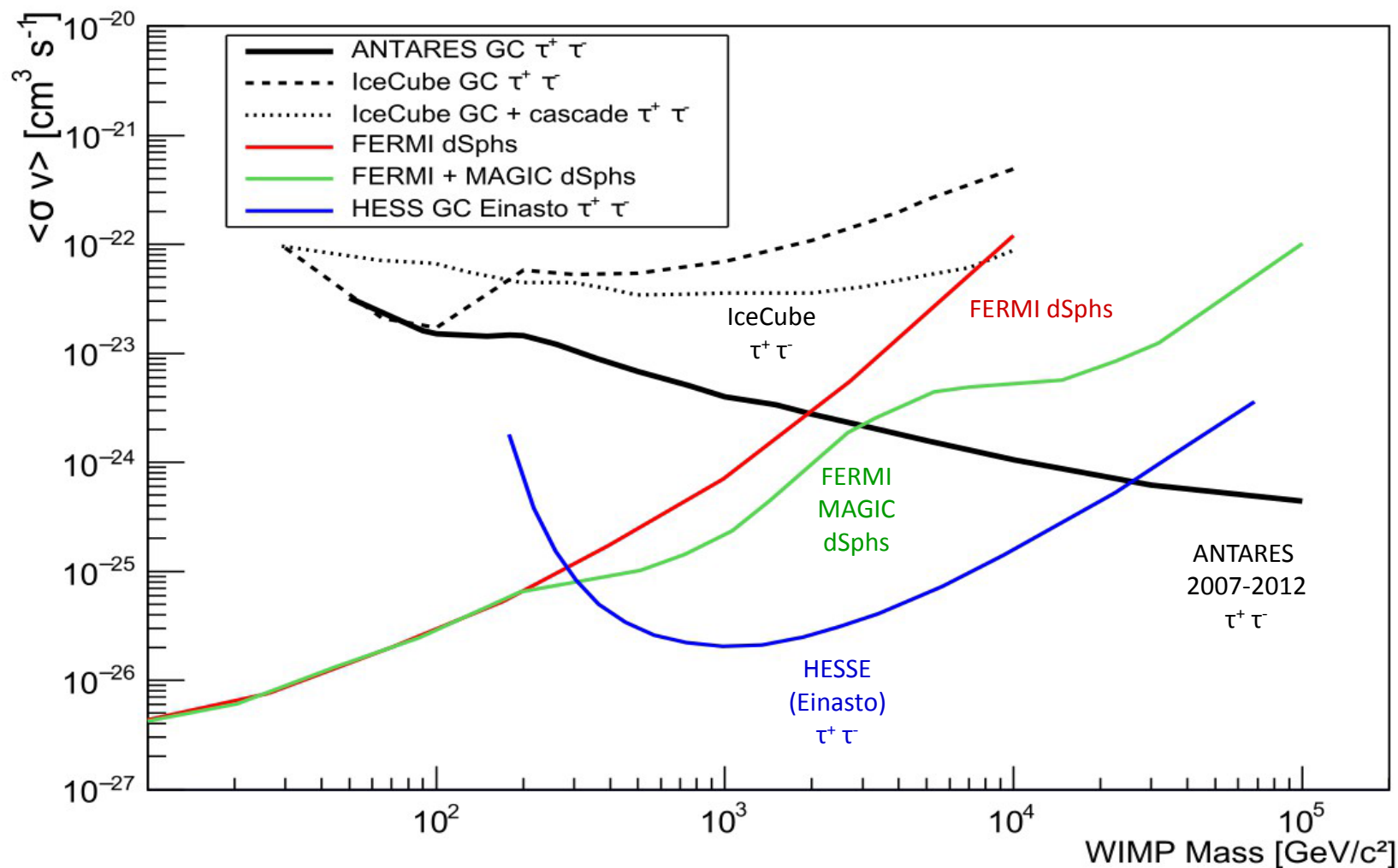
$$\rho_{Ein}(r) = \rho_s \exp \left\{ -\frac{2}{\alpha} \left[ \left(\frac{r}{r_s}\right)^\alpha - 1 \right] \right\}$$



Cirelli et al., 1012.4515v4

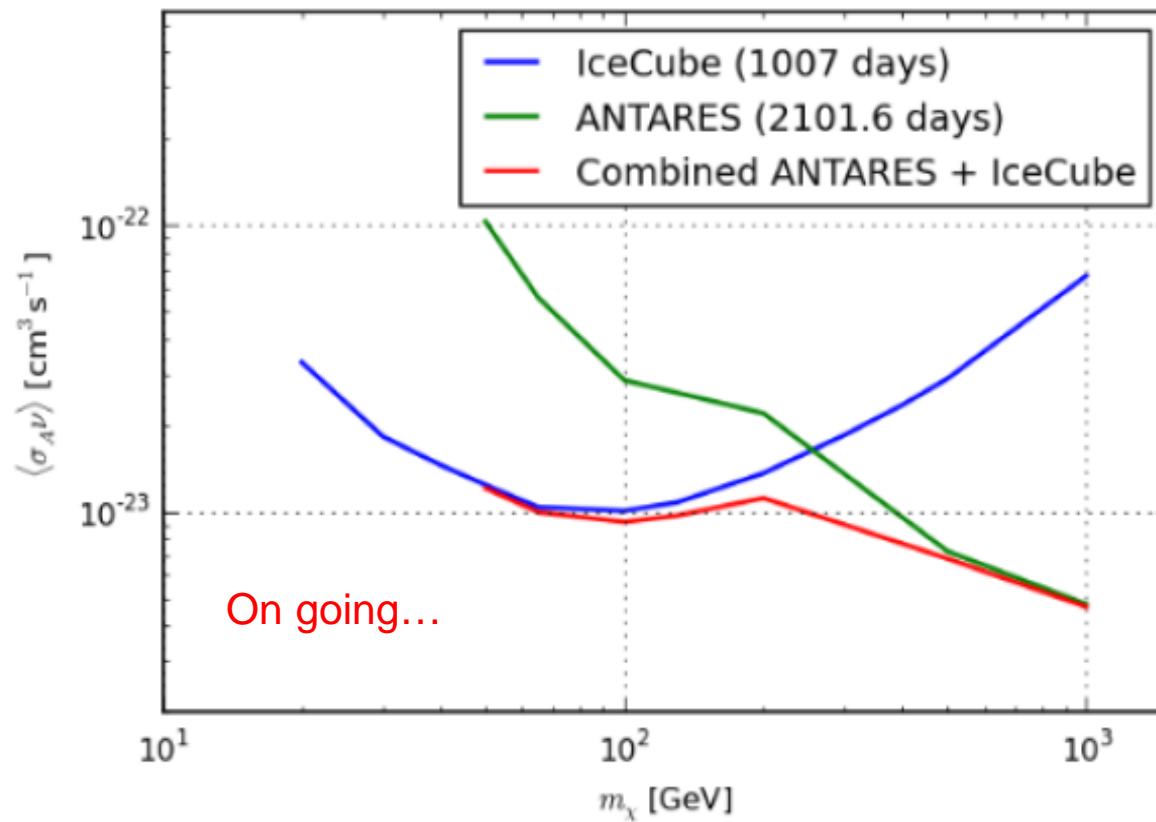


# Galactic Centre





# Galactic Centre





# Summary

## □ ANTARES:

- ❖ **10 year experience**. Thousands of  $\nu$ 's reconstructed as tracks and hundreds as showers). **Excellent resolution** ( $0.2^\circ$  for tracks, down to  $2^\circ$  for showers!)
- ❖ Diffuse flux: a **small excess at high energy** compatible with a cosmic signal
- ❖ **Dark matter searches** in  $\nu$ -tels are **competitive** for some scenarios and complementary to other searches
- ❖ Free lunch: “parasitic” use of  $\nu$ -tels

## □ KM3NeT:

- ❖ On the move!
  - 2 ARCA and 1 ORCA strings in water (teething problems, soon to be fixed)
- ❖ KM3NeT 2.0:
  - ESFRI Roadmap 2016, APPEC European Strategy 2017
  - Most of dark matter studies still lacking, but prospects are good